

THE INDEPENDENT

Seventeenth Year.

GRIMSBY, BEAMSVILLE AND SMITHVILLE, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10, 1902.

\$1 Per Year

Bank of Hamilton

Grimsby, Ont.

Capital Paid Up \$2,000,000
Reserve Fund 1,600,000
Total Assets 19,000,942

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THE TRADERS' BANK OF CANADA.

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The Hamilton Provident & Loan Society

Incorporated 1871.

CAPITAL \$1,500,000

DIRECTORS:

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MONEY TO LOAN AT LOW RATES.

Farmers, before borrowing elsewhere, see or
write to our valuator
HUGH H. ANDERSON, Grimsby

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FACTS and FANCIES

By Frank Fairborn

Je-ru-sal-em pan-cakes.

Beaten by over fifty thousand.

Instead of 212,723 the pro-hi-bi-tion-on
is only got about three-fourths of it.

Hully - gey - whiskers - on - the - moon,
wouldn't that cut your hair for you.

Wouldn't that uncork your bottle for
you.

With the exceptions of Grimsby, Camp-
den, Toronto, Beamsville and a few other
cities and towns the prohibitionists of
this country should go away back and sit
down for the rest of their natural lives.

It is reported now that it was the
"Tories" who polled such a big vote for
prohibition in Toronto, Hamilton and
other cities.

That makes matters all the worse for
the prohibitionists. If they could not
carry the Act, when they had the assis-
tance of the Tories, what a kind of a "holy
show" would they have made of them-
selves without the help of the "Tories."

And that brings me right back to a
statement I made in this column last

Christmas Gifts.

Large and Select Stock.

Books for Everyone.

Bibles,
Hymn Books,
Prayer Books,
Cabinets of Stationery.
Fine Leather Goods,
Silver Pencils,
Penholders,
Fountain Pens,
Calendars and Cards.

And many other pleasing
things.

Please call and see our stock

J. G. CLOKE

Bookseller and Stationer
10 James St. S., Hamilton.

spring to the effect that if prohibition was
ever carried in this country it would be
as a plank in the platform of one of the
parties.

Prohibitionists acting independent of the
parties cannot get the united support of
even the temperance people on account of
the influence and interference of politics.

If it is true that "Tories" voted for the
Act last Thursday in order to put "Ross"
in a hole, it is equally true that "Grits"
voted against the Act in order to save
Ross from getting into a hole.

The girls think of nothing but gowns to
display to the best advantage the figures
they've got.—Philadelphia Press.

"Not always. Some of them think of
gowns that will display to the best ad-
vantage the figures they'd like to have."

It used to be Smith now it is Smythe,
and the report of a recent wedding says
that Miss "Edythe" Smythe proceeded the
bride, Miss Grayce Smith.

We thought the world was quite awry
When Mary changed to Mayme;
When Carolyn became;

When Edythe followed in her wake,
And Alice came apace;
But oh, for goodness gracious' sake!
Do draw the line at Grayce.

All honor to the citizens of Morristown.
They took a reef in the Grand
Trunk's sail the other day and madamen
stand pat for a hull half day.

The Grand Trunk was putting in a new
bridge on the main thoroughfare and as
usual they wanted to travel rough shod
over everything.

But it happened that Reeve Wilson and
Street Superintendent Clarke weren't
quite as easy as the general run of mu-
nicipal officers and as soon as the workmen
started to tear down the old bridge, with-
out making terms, the fire brigade was
called out, and the three lines of hose turned
ed on them.

The Grand Trunk men tried to put up a
fight, but it was no use and everyone who
didn't get out of the road got turned head
over heels with a four inch stream of cold
water.

The Superintendent of the division of
the Grand Trunk should get similar
dose for the disgraceful condition in which
some of the crossings around Grimsby have
been left.

When the Referendum committee
journed last Wednesday night they
eided to meet again on Saturday night at
the residence of Mr. Jas. A. Hewitt. I
guess they were all there, and got a "warm"
reception too.

The bursting of several sections of ap-
parently good hose at the Hewitt fire im-
pressed on my mind the fact that there
has not been any system of testing the
hose in the past. There is not much use
running a fire with "rotten" hose.

That fire also impr-
essed on my mind
that this town is still
works."

In my opinion "water
works" has become
an absolute necessity
for the future wel-
fare of this village.

I do not know what the "intentions" of
our municipal candidates are, but unless
a man has got "waterworks" on his pro-
gramme he need not come to me for a

The G. T. R. is trying the coal storage
plan of keeping the travelling pu-
in the new station at Grimsby.

When the new station was built they
forgot the heating apparatus. By the
time the winter is over, they may discover
the fact and complete the building.

In the meantime they are living up to
Vanderbilt's motto. "The public be
damned."

"Have a drink, boys," as Dick Clarke
said to the Grand Trunk chaps, when he
turned the hose on them last Thursday.

I'd have given thirty cents to see a
couple of lines of McGilton hose turned on
that Hewitt fire for just ten minutes.
There wouldn't have been enough fire left
to light a cigarette.

The anxiety of some ladies at Niagara
Falls, Ontario, to do "good" led them in
to a snarl that for the moment looked as
if they were doing "harm."

A despatch from Niagara Falls says:
"Great consternation has been caused
here by the circulation of a pamphlet with
the title "Whiskey sold privately by the
Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist
church in aid of the organ fund."

It appears that the daughter of the presi-
dent, who was acting secretary of the
trades sales committee of the organ fund,
sent a circular to all the manufacturers,
using a list supplied by the new association
secretary.

The circular was worded as follows:
"Dear Sir—The Ladies' Aid society of
the Methodist church are arranging for a
sample sale about the first week in Sep-
tember, the proceeds to go towards pur-
chasing a pipe organ for the church. We
ask kindly for samples of your goods on
which we can realize, in return for which
we will thoroughly advertise your goods
by signs to be hung on the walls of sale
rooms and any other advertising matter to
be distributed."

Among others who received the circular
was the firm of Hiram Walker & Sons,
who kindly donated two cases of whiskey,
and included some attractive show cards
to be displayed at the church sale.

The young lady was considerably taken
aback on receipt of the goods, but decided
that the best thing to do was to dispose of
them by private contract for the benefit
of the fund. This she obtained permission
of the firm to do, and the contents of the
cases were accordingly sold.

There were just three mistakes made in
this transaction.

The first "mistake" was the sending of
the circular to Hiram Walker & Sons. A
firm of "whiskey" makers should never
have been asked for a donation to a church
sale.

But the chances are that the young lady
didn't know Hiram Walker from the man
in the moon and consequently she cannot
be blamed for mistake No. 1.

The second "mistake" was made when
the liquor was sold. It should have been
drank by the ladies and preachers who
should have had a jolly good time at
Hiram's expense and said nothing about
it. Therefor the young lady is slightly to
blame for "mistake" No. 2.

The third "mistake" was made when
they let "the cat out of the bag." This
was a case where they should "kiss, but
never tell." But as there were women in
the "secret" it was bound to "out." I
don't know who is responsible for "mistake"
No. 3.

Now that the thing is "over
with" I see no particular season for cry-
ing over spilled milk.

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Christmas Toys and Books

11, 13 and 15 King Street East,
Hamilton, Ont.

Our Toy Department is a place of absorbing interest

just now to every child in Hamilton and vicinity.

Santa Claus is at this store holding receptions for little

folks every afternoon between 2 and 4 o'clock. He says

that this is the finest Toy Department he has seen in all his travels, and he ought to

know. Some of the delightful surprises he has for little boys and girls are:

Mechanical Inventions.

Wonderful things you can wind up and
away they go. These come all the way

from France. Rabbits, beetles and automobiles.

Ball Tossers, balky mules and anxious
brides, at 35c each

Rough riders 50c each

Engines at 1.25, 1.50, 2.00 and \$3.00

Trains on circular tracks from 50c to \$2.50

Animals.

Such an array of them—dozens of horses
some ready for work, others saddled;
elephants, cows and donkeys that nod
their heads. Bright little bunnies and
fierce little tigers and fury bears, and
dogs that you can play with and never
fear. Prices for those range from 10 to 50c.

Rocking horses \$1.50 to \$10

Skin rocking horses \$3 to \$8.00

Noah's Ark.

Filled to the brim with animals. Prices
according to size. 5c up to \$1

Dolls.

Hundreds of them together with all
the things to furnish a dolls house:

China dolls 1c up to 25c

Bisque jointed dolls 5 to 50c

Patent dolls 5 to 50c

French jointed dolls 15c to 31

Dressed dolls 25c to \$3.50

Kid body dolls 25c to 45c

China dishes 10c to \$2.50 set

Pewter dishes 25c to \$2.50

Parlor furniture 25c set

Bedroom furniture 15 and 25c ea.

Picture Books.

Bright colored picture books, good
stories, all the old favorites and many
new titles:

Nursery books 3 to 25c each

Board books 5 to 25c each

Chatter box 75c

Chums 1.50 to \$2.75

Soldier Sets.

Suits for boys, helmets, shields, sword
and gun 25c to \$1.50 set

Lead soldiers 15c to \$5 set

Fur Coats.

A stock chosen from the finest makers in the country. Qualities the best for your
money, whether you buy a natural jet black skin at \$12.75 or a fine sown skin at \$35.

R. R. A. ALEXANDER, Physician and Surgeon. Residence and office first house south of Presbyterian church Main street west, Grimsby. Hours, 8 to 10 a.m., 1 to 2 p.m., 7 to 8 p.m. Telephone No. 1.

MONEY TO LOAN.

MONEY TO LOAN ON MORTGAGES, etc. Apply J. W. JARDINE, Court House, Hamilton.

Grimsby, Dec. 10.

—Wanted—A smart boy about 16 years old to learn the newspaper business. Apply at THE INDEPENDENT Office.

—Wanted—Reliable Lady Agents wanted to take orders for the best custom made dress shirts in Canada. Write quickly. Dominion Garment Company Box 209 Guelph.

—For Sale—8 or 9 foot cedar posts from 12 to 20 cents. Apply to F. Freeman, North of Railway bridge, on Paton St., Grimsby.

—Wanted—A general servant, one who can bake preferred, no washing. Apply to Mrs. Bland, 218 North McNab St., Hamilton.

—Mrs. Joseph Grigg was at Centralia last week, attending the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Thomas Alloway.

—W. H. VanDuzer was laid up with a severe illness and was unable to take work of dep. Returning Office, at No. 2 Division, North Grimsby, Chas. Grigg acted in his place.

—Mr. and Mrs. Amos Freshwater left yesterday for London, England. Mr. Freshwater has not been in the old land for many years and he returns with joy to visit the scenes of his childhood. He will visit his former home Eaton Socon and Mrs. Freshwater will visit Ramsgate.

—Mr. James Gilmore, who now owns the Grimsby saw mill is prepared to saw logs for customers at any time. For terms etc. Apply to Mr. Gilmore at his residence just north of G. T. R. Station.

—On Friday afternoon and evening, the Ladies Aid Society of St. John's Presbyterian Church will hold their annual sale of fancy and useful articles. Tea will be served after 5 p.m. Admission to sale free. Tea—10 cents.

—Next Sunday the Rev. John Muir will preach in the morning on, "Bought by Blood" and in the evening on, "The Curse and Cure of Doubt."

—Good Man Wanted—To engage by the year. House on farm. Also straw and oats wanted. D. J. McKinnon & Sons.

Died.

HUGHES—In Grimsby, by accident, on Sunday, Dec. 7th, 1902, Maud, youngest daughter of Geo. Hughes, aged 25 years.

HAINER—In Grimsby, by accident, on Sunday, Dec. 7th, 1902, Gertrude, only daughter of Murray and Mary Hainer, aged 19 years.

BREADY—In Grimsby, by accident, on Sunday, Dec. 7th, 1902, Harry M., youngest son of J. R. Bready, Emo, Ontario, aged 18 years.

The funeral of all three will take place from the Methodist Church, on Thursday, Dec. 11th, 1902, at 2 p.m. where services will be held, thence to Queens Lawn Cemetery for interment.

The church will be open from 10 to 12 a.m., Thursday, to allow friends to view the remains, after which the caskets will be closed.

A Card of Thanks.

To the Firemen and Citizens of the Village of Grimsby and surrounding country. I wish to acknowledge my great indebtedness for your esteemed and arduous work on the occasion of my disastrous fire on the night of December 6th and may the blessing of God follow you through life, is the wish of

Your obliged neighbour

JAS. A. HEWITT,

High School Concert.

Harold Jarvis, Miss Bastedo and the school are proving a great attraction and the plan is filling up rapidly. There are still, however, some good seats which can be reserved by applying at Miller's Jewelry store. Tickets 35 cents. No extra charge for reserving seats. Late cars.

Now For Your Overcoats.

You will need very little urging to put on overcoats, if you have them and you'll need little argument to buy one if you haven't one, the important interest is to choose in the right place, buy here and you are guaranteed correct styles, highest quality and lowest prices.

FARRAR CLOTHIER,
No. 5 Market Square.

Death Came Suddenly.

Three of Grimsby's Young People Dashed to Death by an Express Train.

Harry M. Bready, Gertrude Hainer and Maud Hughes Killed at the G. T. R. Station Sunday Night.

The accident at the Grand Trunk station on the night of Sunday, Dec. 7th, by which three of our young people lost their lives, was the most frightful that ever occurred in the history of our village. Harry M. Bready, formerly of St. Catharines, but for the past four months a compositor in THE INDEPENDENT office, Gertrude Hainer, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hainer, and Maud Hughes, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hughes, all met their death in a sudden and most terrible manner. The three young people were all on their way home from church when the accident occurred. Mr. Bready and Miss Hainer were accompanying Miss Hughes to her home on Ontario street, north of the railway tracks. The three were last seen by James Blair shortly after 8:30 walking towards the Grand Trunk station. At that time a freight train was going east on the north track and a moment later or just about the time that the freight train had cleared the crossing the West Bound Express flew by, going at the rate of a mile a minute.

It is supposed that the young people had paused to let the freight go by and then continuing their journey were struck by the West Bound Express. Death in each case was instantaneous. Miss Hughes was thrown about one hundred feet from the crossing and lay along side the track. Mr. Bready's body lay a few feet further along the track. Miss Hainer was carried five hundred feet from the crossing.

No one saw the accident and it was not until Mr. Bonham the night agent at the G. T. R. station received instructions from the Superintendent in London to send men over the track that he had any intimation that an accident had occurred. Mr. Bonham notified the section men and they immediately turned out. The wire to Mr. Bonham said that the engines on the express had met an obstruction a mile west of Grimsby. The men started west on the north track on their jiggers and did not turn on the south track until they reached the switch, and thus they missed the bodies which were all lying on the south track in the station yard. Section Master Cowan was accompanied on the jigger by Kirk Miller, Jas. Brodie, J. H. Gibson and Henry Culp. They ran to Winona and finding nothing, returned. In the meantime the express train had reached Toronto and Mr. Bonham received a wire from the night agent in Toronto telling him that a lady's shoe had been found on the engine. Mr. Bonham immediately went out on the track to see if an accident had occurred, when he was appalled to find two bodies lying close to the station platform. This was Miss Hughes and Mr. Bready.

Just then the gang of men who had gone to Winona returned and found the body of Miss Hainer lying near the west switch. Dr. Morris, J. A. Livingston, of THE INDEPENDENT, Constable W. F. Randall and others were notified of the accident and went to the scene of the disaster to identify the bodies. They were soon all positively identified by their clothing or letters on them and were removed and laid out in the station house. The news was then broken to the afflicted families in Grimsby and telegrams sent out to the friends of Mr. Bready.

Miss Gertrude Hainer was the only daughter of Mr. Murray Hainer and was about nineteen years of age. She completed her course in the Canada Business College, of Hamilton, the first of last July and since that time was employed as stenographer and bookkeeper in the business office of

THE CENTRAL STORE

Grimsby's Favorite Shopping Place.

The Great Store In Holiday Garb.

Special Display of Christmas Novelties in

Silk Waists, Parasols, Handkerchiefs, Fancy Linens, Ribbons, Gloves, Ladies' Ties and Collars, Purses, Wrist Bags, Belts, Fancy China, Calendars, etc.

Holiday Men's Furnishings, Braces, Neckwear, Gloves, Fancy Hosiery, Underwear, etc.

Now is the time to make your purchases while the stock is large and complete.

Great Bargains in our GROCERY DEPT. for the Xmas trade.

A. F. Hawke

Tax Notice.

Ratepayers will please take notice that all taxes must be paid on or before Dec. 15th, 1902, to avoid the penalty of 5 per cent, which will be added after that date. The office of the collector, Geo. E. Miller, is conveniently situated on Main street and all Taxes must be paid at his office.

S. WISMER,
REEVE

Cider Making and Chopping

I wish to notify the public that my cider press will run Tuesdays and Thursdays for the balance of the season. 1½ per gallon for the making and I take care of the pumice. The grain chopper runs every Friday, 8¢ per hundred or ton.

R. O. KONKLE,
near mountain Presbyterian church

THE INDEPENDENT. She was a general favorite amongst the young ladies of Grimsby, a member of the Baptist Church, and will be mourned by many.

Mr. Harry M. Bready is the young son of Mr. J. R. Bready, of Emo, Rainy River District, Ont. Up until about four months ago he lived in St. Catharines, where he worked in the Journal and Standard. He left the city last summer and accepted a position in THE INDEPENDENT and has been here ever since. He was between eighteen and nineteen years of age.

During his short stay in Grimsby he became very popular with the young folks, as he was a young man of exceedingly pleasant manner, and made himself agreeable to all with whom he came in contact. His memory will be cherished by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance.

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Sovereign Shoe..

Is a shoe for men and women.—Up-to-date in every way.—None better at the price.—

2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00

Besides other good makes for fall and winter wear at prices to suit your purse.—

Call and Examine Them.

J. H. Whittaker,
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Will set you right.

25 cents.

P. B. TOWLER,
Druggist, GRIMSBY.

A CARD.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar, if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded. P. B. Towler.

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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$2,000,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$1,300,000
Fully Subscribed at 25% premium.
Extracts from Government Returns:
May 31, '02 Oct 31, '02
Capital, Paid-up \$ 740,711 \$ 1,173,475
Reserve Fund 110,000 240,000
Deposits 226,947 1,681,730
Assets 1,158,553 3,855,203

St. Catharines Branch.
No. 3 JAMES STREET.

Current Accounts opened,
Notes discounted,
Money Orders and Drafts bought and sold.
Advances made to Farmers' on their own
notes.

Prompt attention given to Collection of
Sale Notes.

Saving Bank Department.
Deposits of \$1 and upwards received. Interest at 3 per cent per annum allowed from date of deposit, and compounded half-yearly.
DEPOSIT RECEIPTS ISSUED.

Open Saturday Evenings from 7 to 9

D. B. CROMBIE, Manager.

Beamsville, Dec. 10.

Mr. Panter, of Jordan Station, visited the schools on Tuesday.

Mr. R. B. Davidson, of Ottawa, is a guest at Senator Gibson's this week.

The funeral of the Late Mr. S. Woodward took place on Wednesday afternoon from his late residence. Deceased was in his 81st year, and has long been a member of the Baptist Church. Mr. Woodward has been ailing for a long time, but was not thought dangerous until a short time before his death. Great sympathy is felt for the bereaved widow, also Mrs. G. Bolton, of Cleveland, Mrs. Cauley California and Mr. C. Woodward, who mourn the loss of a kind and loving father.

Miss Jean L. Gibson is visiting friends in Toronto this week.

The sad news reached here on Wednesday evening last of the sudden and unexpected death of Mr. H. J. Bowley (nee Jennie Robson) at Binsearch, Man. The sympathy of the people in general is extended to Mr. J. Robson and family in this very sad bereavement.

Miss Campbell, of Toronto, is the guest of Miss Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bessey, of Hamilton, were calling on old friends in town last week.

Miss A. Scott was in Hamilton last week.

Mrs. J. Hewitt, of Grimsby, was visiting under the parental roof last week.

Miss E. A. Forgie was taken seriously ill at school on Friday morning, but she has recovered sufficiently to resume her duties on Monday.

Mrs. D. B. Poole, who has been seriously ill, is improving.

Mr. Alex Oldham, of London, was in town over Sunday.

Mr. H. Forsythe has kindly consented to train the children of the Presbyterian Sunday School for their Annual Christmas Tree which is to take place during the Xmas week, and it is expected to be a very enjoyable function.

W. C. T. B.

Watch Yourself.

What a subtle kind of heartache we give others by simply not being at our best and highest when they have to make allowance for us, when the dark side is uppermost in our minds, and we take their sunlight and courage away, by even our unspoken thoughts, our atmosphere of heaviness! Oh, to stand always and eternally for sunlight and life and cheer.

Christmas Books.

Is there anything finer than a beautiful book for a Christmas Present, if there is we do not know it. It is often hard to choose a present that will suit your friends but there is no one to whom a beautiful book is not acceptable. We have them at all prices and in all styles. Come in and see if we cannot please you with one or more. J. G. Clarke, 19 James St. South, Hamilton.

COY BROS & SOUTHCOTT

St. Catharines Leading Hardware Store.

We carry everything the farmer needs for winter. Forks, Shovels, Chains, Hammers, Saws, Axes, tools of all kinds. Cow Chains, Halters, Rope, Nails, Hay Knives, Pruning Hooks, Horse Clippers, in fact everything you need is here.

**Coy Bros. & Southcott,
69 St. Paul St., ST. CATHARINES**

Fixing up for the Winter.

You'll want your stoves set up and your stove pipes over-hauled. I'll do the work and save you time and trouble.

I've got a splendid second hand coal cook stove for sale cheap.

I have a few New Air Tights just in—will run off from \$5 to \$9.

All kinds of Tinware, graniteware, stoves, etc.

Repairs for any stove got promptly.

Best Engine Gasoline, the only right article for gasoline engines and boats, etc., kept on hand.

G. A. Teeter

Leith's Old Stand.

BEAMSVILLE

E SELL AT FACTORY PRICES.

As the following will show:

Parlor Suits.

5 piece Parlor Suit large mahogany frames upholstered in fancy figured velors, worth \$25.00 for \$21.00.

5 piece Parlor Suit in fancy Wilton rug, trimmed with rich silk plush, spring edged, worth \$40.00 for \$34.00.

Couches.

Fancy figured velor couch full size, fringed, at \$5.75.

High Class Couches, all sizes, \$20.00 couch for \$18.00; and the same reduction all the way down to a \$5.00 lounge for \$4.00.

Bed Room Suits.

Hardwood Golden finish, 16x20 glass in shaped frame, 3 large drawers in dressing case, full sized commode, very large high bed \$11.25.

Fancy ash, German bevel plate glass, 3 large drawers in dresser, very large commode, fancy carved bed, very high for \$17.00.

Many other designs at equally low prices.

Dining Room Chairs.

Very large high backed at \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$6.00 per set of 6 chairs.

Sideboards.

Fancy golden finished sideboard, 14x24 mirror, very large board at \$9.50.

Better class sideboards equally as cheap according to quality

Extension Tables

Solid oak table, fancy carved and fluted leg at \$7.75.

Nice elm tables for \$5.00 and many other designs equally cheap.

The largest stock of all kinds of furniture in the Niagara District. Three flats covered with furniture from factories all over Western Canada, at

THE BIG FURNITURE STORE.

**J. W. Buck, Proprietor,
Beamsville**

McLaren & Co., McLaren & Co.,
Limited. Limited.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING

This week, next week, and then Christmas. Do you realize how short the time is? From now on you will be hurrying to get the things you want for Christmas gifts. "Have you set your mind on something?" Whether you have or not, this store best serves your purpose. The largest store in the Niagara district and the most goods to choose from. Twenty-two exclusive Christmas departments are here and each counter teeming with facts and suggestions. Shop early and often, for in many lines [in most lines] early choosers get the best choice, and come often to gather ideas. Early in the week, if possible, and in the morning, for you have unhindered daylight to choose by.

Berlin Granulated Sugar.

A sample box of Granulated Sugar, the output of the Berlin Sugar factory and manufactured from home-grown beets, will be given to each person who presents this notice to either Messrs. McLaren or Borrowman, at the store.

Christmas-Gift Furniture.

Most magnificent furniture for the holiday trade. New arrivals have largely increased our stock; but while we have holiday furniture in such great assortments and in large quantities of a kind, there are hardly two pieces alike in any one line. The best choice comes of first pick.

Holiday Furniture Bargains.

Three pieces of artistic presentation furniture are offered at less than regular prices. Every article will act the gift part thoroughly:

Ladies' Dressing Table of curly birch in natural color, large swinging British bevel plate mirror, reg. \$22.50, special price \$18

Dining room Buffet of Colonial design in quarter cut golden oak, three draw and shelves, large British bevel plate mirror, reg. \$33, special price \$25

Ladies' Secretary of handsome design, in quarter cut golden oak, partitioned into apartments after French design, crescent shape British bevel plate mirror, reg. \$25, special price \$22.50

This further choice is offered in Christmas Furniture:

22 styles Centre Tables, \$1 to \$8.50.

25 styles Rattan and Wooden Rockers, \$1 to \$12.

12 styles Jardine Pedestals, 25c to \$6.

8 styles Hanging Hall Racks, \$3 to \$15.

12 styles Upholstered Chairs, in velvet, tapestry and real leather, \$6 to \$45.

15 styles Dining Room Chairs, 75c to \$7.

(Furniture—Take elevator to 2nd and 3rd floors.)

Closing Hour Notice.

These changes have been made in our regular closing hours:

Saturday, 13th, open till 8.30 p.m.

Saturday, 20th, open till 10.30 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday, 22nd and 23rd, open till 8.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 24th, open till 10 p.m.

Rugs For Gifts.

Rich rugs for gifts; rugs to give one's self. There is already ample evidence that there is to be a great deal of giving of Floor Rugs. More than ever before people are looking for things that adorn the home and promise permanent pleasure because of actual usefulness. It does seem the sensible thing to do to invest money in this class of gifts. Giving more room and finding newer things for the Carpet and Rug Department means that our customers will have better choice and be more easily served than ever before. The assortment has been chosen in two continents—those we gathered in Germany last Spring and Summer, and the pick of the output of our own best manufacturers. Many fine pieces will be selected every day from now on, and each to-day is better than to-morrow in rug choosing.

Imported Whole-Carpet Axminster Rugs.

Woven in one piece, and fine for covering a whole room. In Oriental, floral, geometrical and conventional colors and patterns. Most of these whole-carpet Axminsters have hearth rugs and door mats to match. The size begins at 7 feet 6 inches by 10 feet 3 inches—\$16.50, and the range includes six more standard sizes up to 9 feet 10 inches by 13 feet 1 inch—\$48. The hearth rugs to match—\$1 to \$8 each.

Canadian Axminster rugs and doors mats—75c to \$2.

Smyrna Rugs in Large Variety.

Reversible Smyrna Rugs and Whole-carpets, woven in one piece, in Turkish and Persian patterns—\$60 to \$25 each.

Velvet Carpets for small rooms, stair, landing or front hall, in cheerful colors and patterns, good wearing qualities, \$6 each.

Japanese Rugs and Mats in good imitation of Turkish patterns—\$1.50 to \$18 each.

(Carpet and Rugs—Take Elevator to Second Floor.)

Gifts For Men.

Things like House Coats and smoking Jackets people are buying earlier than ever before. Don't miss first pick.

Smoking Jackets

\$4—Of heavy Melton cloth, blue or garnet, cord trimmings.

\$6—Of Plaid cloth, reversible, cord trimmings.

\$6.50—Of Silk, in navy, terra cotta or blue, with silk lining of contrasting color, filled and quilted.

\$7—Of all-wool reversible plaid cloth, shawl collar, taped edges.

\$9—Of heavy green plaid reversible cloth, cord trimmings on cuffs and pockets, shawl collar.

\$10—Of heavy green plaid reversible cloth, cord trimmings on cuffs and pockets, shawl collar.

House Robes

\$10—Long ankle-length robe of all-wool Eiderdown cloth, cord trimmings and cord girdle, variety of colors in plaid effects.

\$12—Long ankle-length robe of silk, with silk lining of contrasting color, pockets and cuffs with hand-worked silk needlework, silk girdle with tassels, cord trimmings.

\$15—Long ankle-length robe of heavy all-wool Eiderdown cloth, green and red plaid with mixture of blue, plain back lining edges trimmed with satin, shawl collar.

Gifts For Women.

Umbrellas

A showing of Women's Umbrellas for present with more style than ever before in the handles; even lowered prices lines have style.

Handles that formerly could only be seen in the better grade umbrellas. Some attractive handles in natural wood, horn, Dresden, mother of pearl, silver and gold mountings, silk and wool covers—\$1.50 to \$15.

Perrin's "Lasalle," French kid, two patent fasteners, two clasp, gusset fingers—\$1.

Wertheimer's "Peerless," French kid, two patent fasteners, all colors—\$1.25.

Trefousse "Beatrice," undressed kid gray, beaver or black—\$1.25.

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S. T. CATHARINES.

Interesting Items.

The Westminster "Gazette" states that a company with a capital of a million dollars is being formed to turn out whiskey and wine in the form of compressed tablets.

New England critics have noted that in his recent speech at Boston, President Roosevelt began thirteen sentences with "now," used the phrase "have got" for "must" eleven times, and wound up by splitting an infinitive. This they think unpardonable for a President of the United States and a graduate of Harvard.

The official executioner of Tokio died recently. His death was curious in itself, and considering his profession, was little short of remarkable. He was crossing a railway track near Tokio when he was run down by a fast express. The body was found by the track with the head as neatly decapitated as any which had been cut off by the official executioner himself. Otherwise there was no mark on the body.

A masterpiece of censorship was recently perpetrated by the Turkish censor Nischan Efendi, on the occasion of the production of Shakespeare's "Othello" at Constantinople. He "corrected" the drama so thoroughly as to leave hardly a trace of the original. Among other words, he expunged "Cyrus," giving in genious reasons for this correction. "Cyrus," he said, "is a Turkish island; it would be politically unwise to send Othello to Cyprus, because the territorial integrity of Turkey is guaranteed by treaties. Why not put, instead of Cyprus, some Greek island, such as Corfu? And thus it came to pass that, from respect to the Treaty of Paris, Othello had to go to Corfu!

A remarkable and important expedition is in preparation at Seattle. United States manufacturers have combined to send a steamship, laden with samples of their productions, to Russia, China, Japan, Australia and South Africa to show foreign merchants what they have to sell and to become acquainted with the sort of goods in demand. Mr. Frank G. Carpenter has advocated this plan in his extensive correspondence for a Boston contemporary, and it is to be carried out liberally. The effect upon trade with the countries whose principal ports are visited by the expedition is expected to be immediate and far-reaching.

Bright Sayings of Elbert Hubbard.

Talk less and listen more.

Be gentle and keep your voice low.

The mouth indicates the flesh; the eye the soul.

A bird in the bush is worth two on a woman's bonnet.

It is only in prosperity that we throw our friends overboard.

Cultivate poise. Before you can influence others you must govern yourself.

Many a man's reputation would know his character if they met on the street.

Strong people are not so much adverised by their loving friends as by their rabid enemies.

The heroic man does not pose; he leaves that for the man who wishes to be thought heroic.

A retentive memory is a great thing but the ability to forget is the true token of greatness.

People are always asking me to follow their advice, but they seldom tell which way it went.

He who influences the thought of his times influences all the times that follow. He has made his impress on eternity.

It does not make much difference what a man studies—all knowledge is related and the man who studies anything, he keeps at it, will become learned.

We desire at least a modicum of intellectual honesty, and the man who shuffles his opinions in order to mate our eyes is soon through quickly. We want more of him.

Mother Nature is kind, and if she deprives us of one thing she gives us another—happiness seems to be meted out to each and all in equal portions. The man pushing a wheelbarrow sleeps soundly and will live as long as the man in the automobile.

Americanitis is on the increase, the wise ones say. Americanitis comes from an intense desire to "git that" and an awful fear that you cannot. The ounce of prevention is to cut down your calling list, play tag with the children and let the world slide. Remember that your real wants are not many—a few hours work a day will supply your needs—then you are safe from Americanitis and death at the top.

"My sheep know my voice." Clothes may deceive, manners may lie, and words may be used to conceal your purpose; but the voice is the true index of the soul. People who are vulgar may dress correctly and speak grammatically, but they continue either to screech or purr. The clear, low, musical modulation belongs only to the men and women who think and feel. To possess a beautiful voice you must be genuine.

The desire for the expression of sentiments and emotions is very much akin to sex. Each is a reaching out for perpetuation, a bid for immortality, a protest against extinction. The gratification of an artistic success is the finest intoxication that comes to mortal. But like all pleasures it must be shared to be complete. "When I have sung well," said Faust, "and the curtain is rung down, I want some one just to take me in his arms and tell me it was I—don't care so much for the audience."

The success of every great man hinges on that one thing—to pick you, men to do the work. The efforts of any one man count for so very little! It all depends on the selection and management of men to carry out your plans. In every successful concern, whether it be bank, school, factory, steamship company or railroad, the spirit of one man runs through and animates the entire institution. The success or failure of the enterprise turns on the mental, moral and spiritual qualities of this one man. And the leader who can imbue an army of workers with a spirit of earnest fidelity to duty, an unswerving desire to do the thing that should be done, and always with animation, kindness, courtesy and good cheer must be ranked as one of the great men of the earth.

New arrival—"Well! Well! I had an idea that he'd be paved with gold. St. Peter—No—anthracite.

"So Smith declined to prosecute those burglars he found in his house the other night." "Yes, I understand Smith didn't have on his pajamas that night, and he fears the disclosures of a public trial might imperil his social status."—Detroit "Journal."

The Independent and the Farmer's Sun.

There are excellent agricultural papers in Canada and there are other papers which furnish interesting comment on political and current events in general. There is but one paper which combines both departments and in both reaches the highest possible standard of merit. This paper is THE SUN. On the first page of that journal is given a survey by Bytander, of matters of world-wide interest together with editorial comment on Canadian public affairs, those more particularly affecting the farmers receiving the closest attention. The agricultural departments contain the farmers' special market information, and much valuable matter not found in any other agricultural paper in Canada. In this department the information published is based on the practical every-day experience of men who are actively engaged in agriculture while the market reports furnish just the sort of information which enables the farmer to buy and sell intelligently. In addition to all this, there is given a fully selected miscellaneous reading of a class which can be found nowhere else.

You can secure THE SUN and THE INDEPENDENT for \$1.75 from now to the end of 1903.

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Consumption is a human weed flourishing best in weak lungs. Like other weeds it's easily destroyed while young; when old, sometimes impossible.

Strengthen the lungs as you would weak land and the weeds will disappear.

The best lung fertilizer is Scott's Emulsion. Salt pork is good too, but it is very hard to digest.

The time to treat consumption is when you begin trying to hide it from yourself. Others see it, you won't.

Don't wait until you can't deceive yourself any longer. Begin with the first thought to take Scott's Emulsion. If it isn't really consumption so much the better; you will soon forget it and be better for the treatment. If it is consumption you can't expect to be cured at once, but if you will begin in time and will be rigidly regular in your treatment you will win.

Scott's Emulsion, fresh air, rest all you can, eat all you can, that's the treatment and that's the best treatment.

We will send you a little of the Emulsion free.

Be sure that this picture is the form of a label on the container of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.

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We will give you a return on your money invested in our treatment.

We CURE OR NO PAY.

Don't let your life be drained away,

which weakens the intellect as well as the body. There is no room in this world for such a life.

Our New Method Treatment will cure all natural Losses, Purify the Blood, strengthen the Nerves, restore Vitality, and make a man of you.

If you are in trouble, call

our New Method Treatment is free. We treat and cure Diseases, Blood Diseases, Venereal Diseases, Stricture, Unnatural Discharges, Gleet, Kidney and Bladder Diseases. No cutting or operations. No detention from business. Everything confidential. Call us. We will give you a return on your money invested in our treatment.

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A Legend.

The following Oriental legend is not without its application in the West:

There was once a youthful dude named Ali Hamid, and another of the same name named Abu Ben Aka.

They met one day in the street, and Ali Hamid enquired of the other where he was going.

"To the Grand Mosque," he replied, "for this is the day when rich and poor alike go thither to implore the mercy of the Prophet."

"I am going there, too," said Ali Hamid, but first I must find a beautiful horse richly caparisoned in order to cut a good figure."

"I envy you," said Ben Aka, "for I am so crippled with debts that I am compelled to go as humbly as possible, to let my creditors see that I am retrenching."

"My dear friend," replied Ali Hamid, "my creditors are quite as pressing as yours, and it is precisely for their benefit that I am going to make myself as gorgeous as possible to-day."

They both went to the Mosque, the one modestly on foot, and the other riding upon a magnificent high-stepper.

"Ah!" said the creditors. "Ben Aka is evidently in a bad way. Only see what he has come down to!" And they promptly had him arrested for debt.

On the other hand, they decided that Ali Hamid must have come into money, and determined to leave him alone for the present.

The moral is that, although it is no crime to be poor, it is something very like one to appear so.

They were alone. Far away across the wide, beautiful park that surrounded her father's mansion they could see the stately walls of the noble building peeping from among the trees. It was an ideal spot for the confession that he longed to make.

Behind them the high iron fence completely covered with sweet-scented vines shut them off from the great, unromantic world and made their seclusion sure and complete.

"What a glorious afternoon it is," he said at last, as her fingers stole into his hand.

"Ah, it is heavenly," she sighed, looking up out of her big, scowl eyes at him.

"How I wish," he said, "that it might last forever and that you and I might remain here alone together through all eternity."

"Henry!" she exclaimed, drawing away from him. "How can you say such a thing?"

There was a frightened look in her eyes; her beautiful red lips were parted as if in fear and her whole splendid form seemed to be filled with a sudden emotion of terror.

"Darling," he replied, "forgive me if I have said anything that is wrong. But what is it? How have I overstepped the bounds of propriety? Tell me—tell me, my loved one, that I may undo my wrong."

"Ah, dearest," she said, nestling upon his breast and sobbing for joy. "I knew—I knew you could not mean it. If we were to remain here through all eternity I could not establish a residence in South Dakota and get my divorce, you see. And think how improper it would be for us to be here alone while I was the wife of another man."

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County Council.

The final session of the present County Council opened on Tuesday afternoon in the Court Room of the County buildings at St. Catharines.

Warden Fred. A. Goring occupied the chair, and Commissioners Greene, Clarke, Jackson, Moyer, Dalrymple, Crowe and Zimmerman were present.

County Clerk Clench read the warrant calling the meeting, after which the minutes of the last regular session and the special session held on the 19th. July, 1902, were read and confirmed.

The following communications were received and given a reading:

From Miss Carnochan asking for a grant towards the funds of the Niagara Historical Society.

The presentation of the Grand Jury, submitted at the last sitting of the High Court of Justice.

From Gaoler, T. P. Blain, presenting a requisition for clothing for the goal.

Commissioner D. H. Moyer spoke in regard to the presentation of the Grand Jury. He thought that as jury after jury had pointed out the necessity of certain improvement in the gaol, it would be well to take steps to remedy the present state of affairs, or have a jury go through the building and recommend specifically what was necessary to be done.

Commissioner Clark said that this work had not been done by former committees, on account of the high cost of connecting the gaol with the city's sewerage system, etc. He thought there were many families whose residences were not connected with the sewers of the city.

Commissioner Greene moved, and was seconded by Com. Clark, that \$25 be granted towards assisting the Niagara Historical Society. Commissioner Moyer suggested that this matter be laid over for the present, as Commissioner Dalrymple was not present, and he had raised some objection to a previous grant. This was agreed to by Mr. Greene, and accordingly the motion was left over until such time as the views of Mr. Dalrymple and all others could be fully given on the matter.

A resolution made to adjourn to visit the Industrial Home and the County Gaol on Wednesday morning evoked considerable discussion. Mr. Jackson considered the proposed visits unnecessary, as the sub-committees had visited the places mentioned and found everything in good order. Some of the other Commissioners, however, thought, that in view of the approaching election, the Commissioners should visit the institutions named that they might be able to fully and clearly report the condition of affairs to the electors. The resolution carried, after which the council adjourned to meet in committee over the Queenston and Grimsby Road.

In this committee, Chairman Crowe reported that when he called for tenders for the building of the culvert he received a tender to have the work done for \$198. The contractor who gave in this tender, however, refused to sign the contract, so new tenders had to be called for. On the second tender the work cost \$279. The committee considered the circumstances and approved of this. The matter of expense of the committee since the June session was then fully taken up.

Wednesday morning the council in a body visited the Industrial Home, and again assembled in session in the Court Room in the afternoon at 2

o'clock. The Warden occupied the chair and there were present:

Commissioners Joseph F. Greene, W. Clark, David Jackson, Daniel H. Moyer, John A. Dalrymple, Samuel L. Crowe and A. N. Zimmerman.

It was moved by Com. Jackson, seconded by Com. Crowe, that when the council adjourn it stands adjourned until the usual time on Thursday afternoon to allow the members to exercise their franchise on the prohibition question.—Carried.

Mr. Wm. Hendershott, president of the Niagara District and United Niagara Peninsula Fruit Growers' Association, and Mr. Root Thompson, of the same society, were present and desired to address the council. Some slight objection was taken to this by some of the Commissioners as they thought it interfered with routine business and trespassed on the time of the council, while Thursday was the regular day for deputations to wait on the council.

These objections, however, were dropped in view of the fact that there would be no morning session Thursday, and also because the delegates were present.

Accordingly the gentlemen were given permission to address the council. Mr. Hendershott explained that the society wished aid from the council. He was sorry it was not recognized by the government and hence could not expect any assistance from that quarter.

The Association was doing a good educative work and proving of high value to the fruit growers of the district. The admission fee was only 25 cents, and all the official work in connection with the organization was done gratuitously. He asks for \$50 to aid this good work.

Mr. Thompson spoke along the same line. A few judicious questions by Commissioners Clark and Jackson and other members of the board resulted in the case being clearly presented. It was shown that the society was a useful organization and that it deserved as well as needed a little assistance, and Commissioners Greene and Clark made a resolution for the granting of \$50 to the association.

Com. Dalrymple called for the yeas and nays, and he alone voted nay.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the chairman of the printing and building committee be instructed to have the minutes printed and in the hands of the several members not later than the 20th, inst.

Com. Crowe then submitted his report of the Queenston and Grimsby Stone Road committee. In addition to the recommendation of the report already published, a provision was made to have the G. N. W. Telegraph Co. move back their poles in certain divisions where the superintendent considered best. A clause for the payment of sums expended by superintendents in excess of appropriations caused some discussion, but was amended to meet the approval of the board and the report was, on motion, received and laid on the table until next sitting.

Commissioner Zimmerman read the report of the Inspector of Industrial Home. Among the interesting items in this report we might cite the following:

Number of deaths 3
" absconded from Home 5
" discharged 5
" in Home now 46

Causes bringing about residence in the Home are given as below:

Sickness 3
Destitute 10
Crippled 12
Old age 14
Blind 4

Other causes 3
Total expenses of the Home for the year, \$1,420.22

Total receipts from sales of produce etc., 1,999.75

Amount expended or permanent improvements, 783.33

Amount received from non-residents, 480.17

The past year has been an especially gratifying year at the Industrial Home in every way. The report showed it to be such, and Mr. Zimmerman explained that if he had followed the pre-

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the Special Committee re City and County to meet. Carried.

FIFTH DAY.

Saturday Dec. 5th, 1902. The Council met pursuant to Adjournment.

Present.—The Warden in the Chair, and Messrs. Greene, Clarke, Jackson, Moyer, Dalrymple, Crowe and Zimmerman.

The minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges brought in their first report.

Moved by Mr. Dalrymple, seconded by Mr. Moyer, that the first report on Roads and Bridges be received and adopted. Carried.

The Committee on Finance brought in their first report.

Moved by Mr. Moyer, seconded by Mr. Dalrymple, that the first report of the Committee on Finance be received and adopted. Carried.

The Committee on Education brought in their first report.

Moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Greene, that the first report on Education just read be received and adopted. Carried.

Moved by Crowe, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, that this Council do now adjourn until the usual hour this afternoon to allow the Q. & G. Stone Road Committee to meet. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

The Committee on the Queenston and Grimsby Road brought in their second report.

Moved by Mr. Crowe, seconded by Mr. Greene, that the second report on the Q. & G. Stone Road just read be received and adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Crowe, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, that the reporters of the city newspapers and Merriton Advance receive \$5.00 each from this County. Carried.

The Special Committee appointed to adjust matters with the City brought in their report.

Moved by Mr. Moyer, seconded by Mr. Clarke, that the report of the Special Committee re adjustment of relations between City and County just read be received and adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Crowe, that Mr. Brennan receive the \$5.00 granted to the Journal Reporter. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Greene, that before closing this, the last Session of this Council, we, the members of the same cannot do so without expressing our sincere thanks to the retiring Warden, the Clerk, Treasurer, Manager of Industrial Home, and Messenger, for their uniform kindness and courtesy at all times to the members of this Council during the past year. We also thank the representatives of the Press for reporting the proceedings and debates of this Council during the current year. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Moyer, seconded by Mr. Jackson, that this Council do now adjourn. Carried.

Council Chamber, St. Catharines, Dec. 6th, 1902.

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cedent of past Commissioners in this matter the report could have been made even still more gratifying. Sometimes in the past accounts had been left over unpaid, but Commissioner Zimmerman, even at the risk of making the report less showy, had called in all accounts, and there were none unpaid, and the new year could be started on a clean sheet without any back debts—a rather unusual thing. The success at the Industrial Home in its various departments, the Commissioners explained, was due very largely to the excellent efforts of the Keeper and Matron, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. Thanks were due also to Messrs. Fillmore & Bower and to the members of the Y. M. C. A. for their kindly interest in looking after the spiritual welfare of the inmates of the Home, and their assistance in the performance of the last and rites of those who died in the Industrial.

This report was received and laid on the table until next sitting of the council.

On motion of Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Clark, the council authorized the securing of lithographic certificates to be given those passing the entrance examination. The certificates will be of very artistic design bearing on one side the coat of arms of the Province and will be laid in with a panel on which will be a drawing of Brock's monument. This design as Com. Jackson explained, will be very appropriate for this county, and perhaps also an incentive to the students to be patriotic as well as pointing them to the study of the history and lessons of history of the country. Other counties are issuing artistic certificates, and in justice to the students trying in this county and in support of the standing of this progressive county itself, it is only right that such certificates be procured.

On motion Com. Clark, seconded by Com. Dalrymple, the board adjourned to meet Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

THIRD Day.

Thursday Dec. 4th, 1902

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Present.—The Warden in the Chair, and Messrs. Greene, Clarke, Jackson, Moyer, Dalrymple, Crowe and Zimmerman.

The minutes of yesterday were read confirmed.

Moved by Mr. Greene, seconded by Mr. Clarke, that the request of the Manager of the H. G. & B. in regard to an extension of time for the completion of their road to Vineland be referred to the Q. & G. Committee and the claim for cow killed by the H. G. & B. R. R. made by Rev. D. V. Lucas be referred to the same Committee.

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Carried.

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GRIMSBY.

A BAD FIRE.

A disastrous fire occurred in Grimsby, on Saturday night, when the Plaining Mill, sash and door factory and lumber yards of Mr. J. A. Hewitt, Contractor, were totally destroyed by fire. The cause of the fire is unknown, except that it originated in the Boiler Room.

Mr. Thomas Stephens noticed the building on fire about 6:10 and immediately gave the alarm, when Mr. Hewitt reached the building the smoke and flames were rising from the back windows. In response to the fire alarm, the firemen with their apparatus were on hand immediately, and soon had a stream of water playing on the building. Unfortunately, however, several sections of hose burst and there was considerable delay caused by this, as there was also by having to move the engine on account of scarcity of water. The result was that the fire gained on the firemen and it was soon seen that the Plaining Mill and a portion of the lumber yard was doomed.

The men and a large portion of the citizens worked like tigers to save the property and to stem the course of the fire. This, they succeeded in doing before it reached the dwelling of Mr. Hewitt's although a string of smaller wooden buildings all filled with lath, lumber and shingles stood quite close to the burning building. Had the fire once reached Mr. Hewitt's house the

fire would have been communicated to the dwellings on either side and across the street to the Town Hall and Methodist Church. Fortunately however on account of the determined stand taken by the firemen and citizens the former buildings were all saved and the fire was thus kept from spreading. One favorable feature was the fact that it was perfectly calm.

The mill was a fine large two story building, equipped with the best and latest wood working machinery, with a large boiler and engine for supplying power. In addition to this there was a large amount of stock which had been manufactured and was ready to go out along with a large quantity of raw material and other stuff in the course of construction. In the building were also a lot of Mr. Hewitt's carpenter tools and of Mr. J. L. Snyder, J. W. Duval and other workmen.

The fire spread from the building to the Lumber Yards and destroyed a great quantity of valuable lumber, the yards being unusually full on account of some heavy contracts that Mr. Hewitt had just entered into.

Mr. Hewitt figures his loss at about seven thousand dollars with insurance of one thousand dollars. This of course does not take into account the heavy loss entailed upon Mr. Hewitt on account of the contracts which he is compelled to carry out.

Several people were injured during the fire, but none seriously.

Two lessons may be drawn from this occurrence, first, more attention has to

be given to the fire apparatus, both by the Council and Company, and second a system of Water Works has been shown as absolutely necessary for the safety of the Town.

John Blair has a Proposition.
Grimsby, Dec. 8th, 1902.

Editor, Independent

Dear Sir:

May I ask why, with such a majority in favor of Prohibition in Grimsby and vicinity, a temperance hotel would not pay in our midst? If ten per cent of these people are in earnest, we can do it and flourish.

Even if fifty per cent of them are like yourself, who "never buys" and depend on free hearted fellows to fill you up when away, it is all right, for one can imagine what an advertisement you could give a real good hotel in your own village when you were about half full, so if a few will do a little instead of talking a great deal, and the other fellows will say a kind word for it, we can start a movement right here which will be imitated other places. Make Grimsby famous for good works instead of loud prattle and bring about what is desirable without the aid of politicians and blatant office hunters. Please tell your readers I have a practical proposition to make to the genuine temperance people and that I will not ask any sacrifice for principal sake that I am not willing to join in myself. A real sentiment always makes bare a truth or points the way to it.

Yours truly,
John Blair.

Everlastingly Overcoats.

Our reporter in the course of his rounds the other day dropped into Grafton & Co's great clothing store

and after the usual exchange of civilities with the manager, the conversation naturally turned on advertising. Our reporter remarked to Mr. Barry he noticed that the major portion of the advertising of the firm was directed to overcoats. The fact is said Mr. Barry, we are so convinced of the great superiority of our overcoats over all others shown in the city, we almost deem it a duty to the public to tell them plainly and often of the great values.

There is no shadow of a doubt about it that our 7.50 overcoat equals any thing shown elsewhere at 10.00; our \$10 overcoat is equal to any thing we have seen at 15.00. While our higher grade garments are simply not approached in this country in values, make or finish. Still you should

at the same time bear in mind this is the overcoat season. Of course we

have so to speak of suits and coats that for values have no equal here and we show ample evidence of this by the

gentlemen who patronize us for suits and overcoats. Gentlemen who were

in the habit of paying high toned prices to merchant tailors and not by any means obtaining as good results as our

garments gave them. It is just this

way, remarked Mr. Barry, if a garment

is not in every way up to the highest

standard of fit. Our men are

one and all instructed not to let the

garment go out until the fit and finish

is as perfect as though turned out by

exclusive merchant tailors. For Saturday the firm advertise some very

special values.

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20, 22, 24 James N.,
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Hamilton.

**Marriage of Mr. G. F. Mabey and
Miss Grainger.**

This afternoon a quiet wedding took place in St. George's Church, Hamilton, when Miss Ida Annie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grainger, Stoney Creek, was united in marriage to Mr. Chas. F. S. Mabey, Grimsby. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. E. Howitt, Rector. The bride was

becomingly attired in a travelling gown of navy blue blue zebeline with hat to match and was attended by her cousin,

Miss Adelaide Stanland, of Toronto, while Mr. E. S. Johnston, of Grimsby,

supported the groom. Although the

wedding was exceptionally quiet the good wishes of their friends were manifested in

the numerous congratulations they received. Mr. and Mrs. Mabey left on the 5:10 train for points west and on their return will reside on Depot Street, Grimsby, and will be at home after January 1st.

Mr. W. O'R. Shrigley's Funeral.

The funeral of the late W. O'R. Shrigley took place last Thursday afternoon at the Presbyterian church cemetery, the Rev. John Muir officiating.

The pallbearers were six of the deceased's brother Foresters, he being a Charter Member of the Canadian Order of Foresters at Waterford and he kept up his connection with the Order until the time of his death.

The pallbearers were, Jas. Smith, A. F. Hawke, Phil Blanchard, W. F. Randall, W. W. Kidd and D. Allan.

Prohibition Vote too Small.

Although there was a very large vote polled by the Prohibitionists of Ontario on Thursday last, yet it fell many thousands short of being large enough to bring the Act of 1902 into force.

At the present writing the total vote polled in favor of the Act was 162,130, against the Act 86,974, giving a majority for the Act of 75,206. The vote for the Act fell short of the requisite number by about 50,000. This may be decreased however to 40 or possibly 35,000. So near and yet so far.

With a little more organization through the rural district the Prohibitionists could have quite easily accomplished what they set out to do. Apathy, carelessness and laziness is what defeated them.

Grimsby, Beamsville and Campden gave a good account of themselves. The figures being in Grimsby 124 for, 41 against, in Beamsville 110 for and 36 against, in Campden 104 for and 6 against. Toronto and Hamilton also went strong for the act.

FRUITLAND.

Master Frederick Alway, of Bartonville, spent Sunday with Frederick Carpenter.

Mr. Isaac Smith has sold his farm to Nathaniel Piott, of Stoney Creek, who will take possession in a short time.

Mr. Hadley Willis and family have moved on Oliver Nash's Farm.

Geo. Millen Jr. is spending a few days with his brother, Franklin in Haliburton.

Mr. Best, of Hamilton, delivered a lecture in the Town Hall, Stoney Creek on Tuesday evening in aid of this church. The lecture which was a description of "The South African War" was very interesting.

The Twentieth Anniversary of the M. E. Church was held here yesterday. In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Hazlewood, of Wesley Church Hamilton occupied the pulpit and gave a most able sermon. In the evening Mr. Best, secretary of the Y.M.C.A. Hamilton, gave a discourse on his personal work among the soldiers in the time of the South African War. Two Hundred Dollars was asked for to clear the church debt and a collection of One Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars was taken up in the afternoon. Special music was rendered by the Union choir of the Sunday School and Church.

Mr. William Cooper, of Hamilton, will occupy the pulpit on Sunday next as Mr. McBain will hold anniversary services at Ridgeway.

KIMBO

Misses Maud and Blanche Havens, of Winona, and Miss Lilla Kelley, of Glen Meyer, and Miss L. M. Merritt made Mrs. F. House a flying visit last week.

The Free Methodists will hold quarterly meeting on Sunday.

Mr. A. W. Ried intends building a bank barn in the near future.

Mr. Alexander Morrison is very poorly at present.

The roads were very muddy yesterday, but now are nearly stone.

Very sorry the Referendum did not carry. It might save some of our dear young men, who have not fallen as yet, but will fall in time. God help them.

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Cross Cut Saws, Calico, Conqueror, guarantee, 5 feet and 5½ feet, complete, 50c per foot.
Buck Saws, guarantee, 50c.
Horse Blankets, unlined, 60 and 75c.
Horse Blankets, lined, \$1.00.
Horse Blankets, Dutch Kersey, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.
Air Tight Stoves, \$2.50, \$3, \$4, 4.50.
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Proclamation

As a mark of sympathy and respect to the three young people of Grimsby, who met with such a sudden and awful death on Sunday night, I would respectfully suggest that all business be suspended in the village from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Thursday afternoon Dec. 11th 1902, while the funeral is taking place.

S. WISMER,
Reeve

Tax Notice.

All taxes are required to be paid by Dec. 15th. I will be at the Lincoln House on the afternoons of Thursday and Friday, the 11th and 12th to accommodate any who wish to pay their taxes then.

W. P. PALMER,
Collector.

Mothers are Delighted

With our Children's Goods, Every want is supplied. A most complete and varied stock. We draw special attention to the little imported coats. These come in cream, with silk and Angora trimmings. In imitation white bear, in white astrachan cloth, prices range from \$3.50 to \$3.50.

Also a well fitted stock of bonnets in fur, velvet and silk, simple charming styles for a child, prices 75c to \$2.50.

NEW WAISTS.
The pick of the season just in, correct styles, desirable for house and evening wear.

Beautiful fine Henrietta Waists, in black, red, rose and cream, made in newest styles, with broad tucks running round, new sleeves, fancy buttons, all sizes, \$2.75.

Black Lustre Waists, all tucked, \$2.50.

Elegant evening Silk Waists, black and colored, \$6.50.

Charles Hinman,

4 John St. North, HAMILTON

THE Terrible Hollow

Or Bush Life in Aus-
tralia.

By the author of "The Squatter's Dream".

Continued from last week.

We used to talk away about old times, regular confidential, and though she'd great spirits generally, she used to change quite suddenly sometimes and say she was a miserable woman, and wished she hadn't been in such a hurry and married as she had. Then she'd crack up Jeanie, and say how true and constant she'd been, and how she was rewarded for it by marrying the only man she ever loved. She used to blame her temper; she'd always had it, she said, and couldn't get rid of it; but she really believed, if things had turned out different, she'd have been a different woman, and any man she really loved would never have had no call to complain. Of course I knew what all this meant, but thought I could steer clear of coming to grief over it.

That was where I made the mistake. But I didn't think so then, or how much hung upon careless words and looks.

Well, somehow or other she wormed it out of me that we were off somewhere at Christmas. Then she never rested till she'd found out that we were going to Melbourne. After that she seemed as if she'd changed right away into somebody else. She was that fair and soft-speaking and humble-minded that Jeanie couldn't have been more gentle in her ways; and she used to look at me from time to time as if her heart was breaking. I didn't believe that, for I didn't think she'd any heart to break.

One night, after we'd left about twelve o'clock, just as the house shut up, Arizona Bill says to me—

"Say, pard, have you fixed it up to take that young woman along when you pull up stakes?"

"No, I said; 'isn't she a married woman? and, besides, I haven't such a fancy for her as all that comes to.'

"Ye heaven's!" he said, speaking very low, as he always did, and taking the cigar out of his mouth—Bill always smokes cigars when he could get them, and not very cheap ones either; 'well, then, I surmise you're lettin' her think quite contrary, and there's bound to be a muss if you don't hide your tracks and strike a trail she can't foller on.'

I begin to think I've been two ends of a dashed fool; but what's a man to do?

"So here, now," he said; 'you her two el'ar weeks afore ye. You slack off and go slow; that'll let her see you didn't sorter cotton to her more'n's in the regulations.'

"And have a row with her?"

"Sartin," says Bill, "and hev the shootin' over right away. It's a plagued sight safer than letting her carry it in her mind, and then laying for yer some day, when ye haven't nary thought of Injuns in your head. That's the very time a woman like her's bound to close on yer and lift yer hev if she can."

"Why, how do you know what she's likely to do?"

"I've been smokin', pard, while you hev bin talkin', sorter careless like. I've had my eyes open and seen Injun sign mor'n once or twice either. I've hunted with her tribe afore, I guess, and old Bill ain't forgot all the totems and the war paint."

After this Bill fresh lit his cigar, and wouldn't say any more. But I could see what he was driving at, and I settled to try all I knew to keep everthing right and square till the time came for us to make our dart.

I managed to have a quiet talk with Starlight. He thought that by taking care, being very friendly, but not too much so, we might get clean off, without Kate or any one else being much the wiser.

Next week everything seemed to go on wheels—smooth and fast, no hitches anywhere. Jim reckoned the best of our claim would be worked out by the 20th of the month, and we'd as good as agreed to sell our shares to Arizona Bill and his mate, who were ready, as Bill said, 'to plank down considerable dollars' for what remained of it. If they got nothing worth while, it was the fortune of war, which a digger never grows at, no matter how hard hit he may be. If they did well, they were such up and down good fellows, and such real friends to us, that we should have grudged them nothing.

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As for Jeanie, she was almost out of her mind with eagerness to get back to Melbourne and away from the diggings. She was afraid of many of the people she saw, and didn't like others. She was terrified all the time Jim was away from her, but she would not hear of living at the Prosecutors' Arms with her sister.

"I know where that sort of thing leads to," she said; "let us have our own home, however rough."

Kate went out to Specimen Gully to see her sister pretty often, and they sat and talked and laughed, just as they did in old times, Jeanie said. She was a simple little thing, and her heart was as pure as quartz crystal. I do really believe she was no match for Kate in any way. So the days went on, I didn't dare stay away from the Prosecutors' Arms, for fear she'd think I wanted to break with her altogether, and yet I was never altogether comfortable in her company. It wasn't her fault, for she laid herself out to get round us all, even old Arizona Bill, who used to sit solemnly smoking, looking like an Indian chief or a graven image, until at last his brick-coloured, grizzled old face would break up all of a sudden, and he'd laugh like a youngster. As the days drew nigh Christmas I could see a restless expression in her face that I never saw before. Her eyes began to shine in a strange way, and sometimes she'd break off short in her talk and run out of the room. Then she'd pretend to wish we were gone, and that she'd never seen us again. I could hardly tell what to make of her, and many a time I wished we were on blue water and clear away from all chance of delay and drawback.

CHAPTER XXX.

We made up our minds to start by Saturday's coach. It left at night and travelled nigh a hundred miles by the same hour next morning. It's more convenient for getting away than the morning. A chap has time for doing all kinds of things just as he would like; besides, a quiet time to slope than just after breakfast. The Turon daily mail was well horsed and well driven. Night-work though it was, and the roads dangerous in places, the five big double-reflector lamps, one high up over the top of the coach in the middle with two pair more at the side, made everything plain. We Cornstalks never thought of more than the regular pair of lamps, pretty low down, too, before the Yankee came and showed us what cross-country coaching was. We never knew before. My word, they taught us a trick or two. All about riding came natural, but a heap of dodges about harness we never so much as heard of till they came to the country with the gold rush.

We'd made all our bits of preparations, and thought nothing stood in the way of a start next evening. This was Friday. Jim hadn't solid his bits of traps, because

I Coughed

"I had a most stubborn cough for many years. It deprived me of sleep and I grew very thin. I then tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was quickly cured."

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he didn't want it to be known he wasn't coming back. He left word with a friend he could trust, though, to have 'em all auctioned and the goodwill of his cottage, and to send the money after him. My share and his in the claim went to Arizona Bill and his mate. We had no call to be ashamed of the money that stood to our credit in the bank. That we intended to draw out, and take with us in an order or a draft, or something, to Melbourne. Jeanie had her boxes packed, and was so wild with looking forward to seeing St. Kilda beach again that she could hardly sleep or eat as the time drew near.

Friday night came; everything had been settled. It was the last night we should either of us spend at the Turon for many a day—perhaps never. I walked up and down the streets, smoking, and thinking it all over. The idea of bed was ridiculous. How wonderful it all seemed! After what we had gone through and the state we were in less than a year ago, to think that we were within so little of being clear away and safe for ever in another country, with as much as would keep us comfortable for life. I could see Gracey, Aileen, and Jeanie, all so peaceful and loving together, with poor old mother, who had lost her old trick of listening and trembling whenever she heard a strange step or the tread of a horse. What a glorious state of things it would be! A deal of it was owing to the gold. This wonderful gold! But for it we shouldn't have had such a chance in a hundred years. I was that restless I couldn't settle, when I thought, all of a sudden, as I walked up and down, that I had promised to go and say goodbye to Kate Mullockson, at the Prosecutors' Arms, the night before we started. I thought for a moment whether it would be safer to let it alone. I had a strange, unwilling kind of feeling about going there again; but at last, half not knowing what else to do, and half not caring to make an enemy of Kate, if I could help it, I walked up.

It was late. She was standing near the bar, talking to half-a-dozen people at once, as usual; but I saw she noticed me at once. She quickly drew off a bit from them all; said it was near shutting-up time, and, after a while, passed through the bar into the little parlour where I was sitting down. It was just midnight. The night was half over before I thought of coming in. So when she came in and seated herself near me on the sofa I heard the clock strike twelve, and most of the men who were walking about the hall began to clear out.

Somehow, when you've been living at a place for a goodish while, and done well there, and has friends as has stuck by you, as we had at the Turon, you feel sorry to leave it. What've done you're sure of, no matter how it mayn't suit you in some ways, nor how much better you expect to be off where you are going to. You had that and had the good of it. What the coming time may bring you can't reckon on. All kinds of cross luck and accidents may happen. What's the use of money to a man if he smashes his hip and has to walk with a crutch all his days?

I've seen a miner with a thousand a month coming in, but he'd been crushed pretty near to death with a fall of earth, and about half of him was dead. What's a good dinner to a man that his doctor only allows him one slice of meat, a bit of bread, and some toast and water? I've seen chaps like them, and I'd sooner a deal be the poorest splitter, slogging away with a heavy maul, and able, mind you, to swing it like a man, than one of those broken-down screws. We'd had a good time there, Jim and I. We always had a kind spot in our hearts for Turon and the diggings afterwards. Hard work, high pay, good friends that would stick to a man back and edge, and a safe country to lie in plant in as ever was seen. We was both middlin' sorry, in a manner of speaking, to clear out. Not as Jim said much about it on account of Jeanie; but he thought it all the same.

Well, of course, Kate and I got talkin' and talkin', first about the diggings, and then about other things, till we got to old times in Melbourne, and she began to look miserable and miserable whenever she spoke about marrying the old man, and wished she'd drowned herself first. She made me take a whisky—a stiffish one that she mixed herself—for a parting glass, and I felt it took a bit of effect upon me. I'd been having my whack during the day. I wasn't no ways drunk; but I must have been touched more or less, because I felt myself to be so sober.

"You're going at last, Dick," says she; "and I suppose we shan't meet again in a hurry. It reminded me of the happy old times at St. Kilda."

"Oh, come, Kate," I said, "it isn't quite so bad as that all. Besides, we'll be back in February, as like as not. We're not going for ever."

"Are you telling me the truth, Richard Marston?" says she, standing up and fixing her eyes full on me—fine eyes they were, too, in their way; "or are you trying another deceit, to throw me off the

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scent and get rid of me? Why should you ever want to see my face after you leave?

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